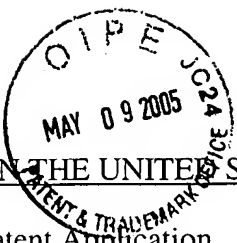




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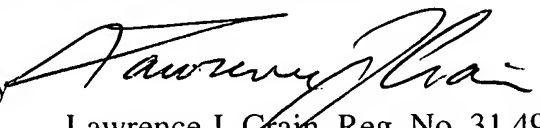
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Applicants respectfully submit that all of the issues raised in the paper dated April 27, 2005 have been addressed. In the event that the Examiner discovers further issues which may be resolved by telephone, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

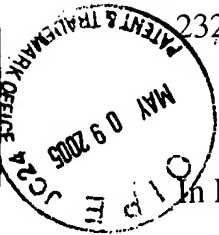
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